DENTAL BOARD OF CALIFORNIA INITIAL STATEMENT OF REASONS

Hearing Date: November 7, 2003

<u>Subject Matter of Proposed Regulations</u>: Inspection and Evaluation Fees for General

Anesthesia and Conscious Sedation Permits

Section Affected: 1021

Specific Purpose of each adoption, amendment, or repeal:

The specific purpose of this amendment is to increase the inspection and evaluation fees for General Anesthesia and Conscious Sedation permits.

Factual Basis

This program is administered by the California Association of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons (CALAOMS). When CALAOMS started doing the evaluations and inspections, there were less than one hundred dentists who held these particular permits. There are now approximately 900 professionals in this program. The fee is paid directly to CALAOMS. There has not been a fee increase since 1990, and since that time CALAOMS has continued to absorb all costs associated with these onsite inspections and evaluations. The increase of fees would help to offset the costs to CALAOMS for providing this service.

Underlying Data

Letter from CALAOMS, dated August 29, 2003.

Business Impact

The Dental Board of California has determined that the proposal will have a minimal impact of an increase of \$100 for new applicants, from \$250 to \$350, for the cost of onsite inspection and evaluation to apply for the General Anesthesia or Conscious Sedation permits. For those dentists who currently hold General Anesthesia or Conscious Sedation permits, they are subject to onsite inspection and evaluation at least once every six years. Thus, there would be a minimal impact of an increase of \$100, from \$250 to \$350, for the onsite and evaluation at least once every six years.

Specific Technologies or Equipment

This regulation does not mandate the use of specific technologies or equipment.

Consideration of Alternatives

No reasonable alternative which was considered or that has otherwise been identified and brought to the attention of the Dental Board of California would be either more effective in carrying out the purpose for which the action is proposed or would be as effective and less burdensome to affected private persons than the proposed regulation.

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